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Examiner:	James G. Smith	
For:	Apparatus for hanging articles of clothing	
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Amendments to the Claims

Listing of Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

Claims 1-27 (cancelled).

28. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
providing a flap of material for use as part of an article of clothing for hanging the clothing on
a mounted rod without the use of a hanger;

31 ~~wherein said clothing comprises a flap~~, said flap comprising a fastener for attaching said clothing
to the mounted rod without removing the rod from its supports, said fastener comprising a ring, said
ring being integrated into said material of said flap, said ring comprising an opening, said opening
comprising an open configuration and a closed configuration, wherein said ring can be inserted onto
a rod when said opening is in said open configuration to hang said clothing from the rod.



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Enclosed please find: (a) a Response to the Office Action dated 7-14-03 in the above-captioned matter; including a request for a two month extension of time; and (b) a Request for Small Entity Status. The Commissioner is hereby provided to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1604 for all amounts required.

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